## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE 0121-03 Group Art Unit: 1632 Fayrer-Hosken et al. Examiner: V. Bertoglio RECEIVED 10/019,643 Serial No.: 235.00300101 Docket No.: December 28, 2001 JAN 2 2 2003 (Int'l Filing Date: June 30, 2000) METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR AFFECTING REPRODUCTIVE SYSTEMS TECH CENTER 1600/2900 Title: **Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231 We are transmitting the following documents along with this Transmittal Sheet (which is submitted in triplicate): Small entity status is entitled to be asserted in the above-identified application. An itemized return postcard. X An Information Disclosure Statement (\_\_ pgs), copies of \_\_\_ applications; 1449 forms (\_\_ pgs); and copies of \_\_\_ documents cited on the 1449 forms. A check in the amount of \$\_\_, representing\_\_ Other: Preliminary Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement - including Appendix A (10 pgs. total) The fee has been calculated as shown: X No Additional fee is required. Amendment Fee Calculation for Claims Pending After Amendment Additional Fees Cost per Claims Paid for Number of Pending Claims Required Additional Additional Earlier (2) after Claims (1-2) Claim Amendment (1) x \$9 =Total Claims x \$42 =Independent Claims One or More New Multiple Dependent Claims Presented? If Yes, Add \$140 Here Total Additional Claim Fees Required Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4895. Triplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed. MUETING, RAASCH & GEBHARDT, P.A.

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Dear Sir:

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

## In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-3, 10, 11, 24-26, and 30-40, without prejudice, and amend claims 4, 6-9, 12-17, 21, 23, 27 and 28. The amended claims are provided below in clean form. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, amended claims are also shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate changes made (for convenience, all pending claims, including those added hereby, are provided in Appendix A).

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4. (Amended) A method for treating or preventing a reproductive disease, disorder, or condition in an oocyte-producing organism comprising administering to the organism an immunogenic composition comprising a polypeptide comprising a zona pellucida protein or an immunogenic fragment thereof.